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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
CHANDIGARH**

**CRWP-10078-2023 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 08.01.2024**

...Petitioner

...Respondents

Present: Mr. Amit Kumar Saini, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Sandeep Kumar, DAG Punjab.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR J. (Oral)

1. The present Criminal Writ Petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to protect the life and liberty of the petitioner and his family members and provide adequate Police Protection/Security to them as earlier gunshot was fired on the head of the petitioner and ransom amount was demanded by the gangsters/hardcore criminals.

2. In pursuance to the notice of motion dated 12.10.2023 issued by this Court, a status report dated 06.12.2023 was filed by way of affidavit of Sandeep Wadehra, PPS, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Industrial Area-B, Ludhiana on behalf of respondents No. 1 to 5 and perusal of para No. 4 of the said affidavit indicates that the FIR has been lodged on the statement of the petitioner. Two accused persons are confined in jail and one accused namely Abhishek Sharma is on bail and proceedings under Section 107/151 of Cr.P.C. were initiated against the said third accused vide DDR No. 14 dated 07.11.2023. Apart from it, PCR has increased the patrolling of the

area. The concerned Additional Deputy Commissioner, Zone-2, Ludhiana has passed specific instructions on 19.10.2023 and concerned SHO has already been instructed to increase the patrolling in the area of the shop and residence of the petitioner. Learned State counsel further submits that the Jurisdictional Police Authorities are duty bound for protecting the life and liberty of every citizen and will continue to follow the drill of the order dated 19.10.2023 (Annexure R-1).

3. In view of the above, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that grievence raised in the present petition has been substantially redressed and the present petition be disposed of, at this stage, in terms of the directions issued by Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police, Zone-2, Ludhiana dated 19.10.2023.

4. In view of the submission made by learned State counsel and the directions dated 19.10.2023 issued by Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police, Zone-2, Ludhiana, the present petition is disposed accordingly.

08.01.2024
Ajay Goswami

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No